

Healthline 0800 611 116 and the Immunisation Advisory Centre on 0800 IMMUNE.

Head Lice

Please be aware that there are head lice within our school environment. It is timely to check heads and read the accompanying information brochure.

Pounamu

A greenstone pendant has been found by the school frontage. It is the shape of a tear drop. Please contact school if you think it may belong to you.

Children's Work

The senior students who when to the National Young Leaders Day in Rotorua returned with some inspiring messages:

'Dream big – possibilities are endless ... Dream a crazy dream!' Taurahere

'Chase your dream, it could become reality. Dream big – achieve more.' Arahia

'Your dream can become a reality, just live your life not someone else's.' Peta

'Chase your dream'. Karne

'Have great friends. Have positive thoughts. Have a go!' John

'Always know who you are. In Madagascar – Alex is the powerful, Marty is the playful, Gloria is the peaceful and Melman is the precise one.' Portia

Reben the Road Safety Bear visited recently. Here are some stories from Kowhai class:

Me and Hazel got to hold up the traffic lights. By Aroha

Ruben came to our school and taught us about traffic lights and we sang a song about Ruben. By Taneisha

When we shouted Ruben, Ruben came in, Ruben is a purple bear. He came on his bike, he taught us to cross the zebra crossing. I got to hold Ruben's hand. Alex
We did a Ruben the Rock song and we have a movie of it. It is good. By Riley

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

23 June	College staff visit Year 8's
27 June	Mid-Year reports go home
1 July	Learning conferences - Report evening
2 July	Year 6 volleyball tournament, BOT meeting
4 July	Community Assembly, End of Term 2
5 July	Soccer closing day tournament
21 July	Term 3 begins

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Term Two 2014

Week Seven – 20 June

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Whanau and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

An appointment has been made for the principal release teaching position. Mr Carl Woodhams, from Napier, will begin teaching in Term 3. Carl will be spending some time at school with us over the next few weeks. Please make yourself know to him as he settles in to the Waitomo community.

Thank you Mrs Lisa King for your support and skills you shared with the Kauri senior class since early Term 1. We look forward to your return visits as a relieving teacher.

We thank and farewell Maree at the end of this term for all her hard work with teacher aid support. Maree, and her husband Bob, will be travelling abroad for four months. Have a fantastic time.

Mrs Rachel Stubbs will begin teacher aid support from Term 3 onwards. Welcome back to school Rachel.

Recent Consent Notices

Thank you to all families who have completed and returned the recent consent notices regarding EOTC, immunisation, internet usage and use of photos and individuals work displayed online. If yours has not been returned yet please do so urgently.



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Proudly Supporting Waitomo Caves School

Cyber safety has an important part in our school curriculum. Gathering permission and consent to posting images and work online gives people a choice. For different reasons we must consider if posting online is appropriate.

Mid-Year Reports

Mid-year reports will be distributed to parents and caregivers so they are received on Friday 27 June. Learning Conferences with parents will be held on the evening of Tuesday 1 July from 5.30pm onwards. In the past parents would pop down to school and socialise while waiting until the teacher is available. The reports will include a response needed for parent teacher discussions and feedback on the report information. Please take time to read, complete and return these details on Monday 30 June.

With the increase of families, and depending on the number of responses received, the report evening format may change. Discussing reports is useful when looking at your child's progress and achievement.

The following teachers will be available, Ms Easton, Mr Dimond, Mrs King and Mrs Dimond. We look forward to meeting with you then.

40 Hour Famine

Congratulations to the seven students who took part in the recent 40 Hour Famine. As a group effort you were able to raise a total of \$271.10. Congratulations for your efforts.

Community Assembly

Please join the school in our end of term Community Assembly on Friday 4 July at 1.30pm.

Volleyball

Recently all children were involved in a volleyball training session at school run by Kiwi Sport co-ordinator Tim Kirk. There is a school tournament for the Year 6 students in Te Kuiti on Wednesday 2 July starting at 9.15am. This will be held at the Waitomo Sports Stadium on King Street.

Sports

The soccer season is coming close to an end. It's been great to see players commit, skills enhanced, competition strengthen and enjoyment shared. Tomorrow's games are the last of the competition round. Semis and finals will follow next week and the closing day tournament will be played on Saturday 5 July.

The hockey team played a brilliant game yesterday winning 4-0 against Piopio. The team has progressed well with great passing skills, goal scoring, defending, dribbling and attacking the ball. They did so well there were three players of the day! Currently they stand undefeated with two more weeks of competition games before the semis and finals in Term 3.

Aria Orienteering Day

Congratulations to the team of competitors at the Aria Orienteering Day. These Year 5 children enjoyed the experience of participating in this annual event. It proved to be a challenge, one that was successfully accomplished, as this team did very well last year and won. We look forward to receiving the official results on Monday.



Great work Max (34mins), Siân (35mins), Nikhil (43mins), Thomas (46min), Maddison (49mins), and Tame (52mins). Thank you Vickie for helping with transport and Adrian, Jamie and Jackson for supporting.

Measles Update

Since December 2013 there have been more than 140 confirmed cases of measles in New Zealand. In the past few weeks the majority of these cases have been in school aged children in the Waikato.

Measles can make children and adults very sick and complications will develop in many people. Measles is a highly infectious disease that affects both adults and children. Measles is more serious than many people realise; of the recent cases in New Zealand over 30 have required hospital treatment. Measles starts with a fever, cough, runny nose and/or sore eyes followed a few days later by a rash. People are infectious from 5 days before to 5 days after the rash appears. While almost all people will make a complete recovery, measles can lead to hospitalisation and some possible complications are severe and lifelong.

Of those whose immunisation status has been verified, all were unimmunised. Immunisation against measles is the best protection and is free for all children. This is the best way to prevent infection and spread of measles within the community. Unimmunised people exposed to measles will need to stay away from school for at least 14 days.

If you require further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Population Health (07 8382569) or visit Waikato DHB website: www.waikatodhb.health.nz/measles Other helpful information sources are